TRYING TO SHUT OFF OPPOSITION IN TWO CONGRESS DISTRICTS.

THE RIDICULOUSLY FARLY DATE FOR THE

SPECIAL ELECTIONS-A CHANCE TO REBUKE KNAVERY.

In Governor Flower's proclamation requiring the electors of the XIVth and XVth Congress Districts to choose successors to ex-Congressmen John R. Fellows and Ashbel P. Fitch, respectively, there is revealed one of Tammany Hail's characteristic sneaking tricks. The Governor, in compliance with Croker's wishes, makes January 21 the day of tion, a date so near at hand as to leave scarcely the twenty days which the law prescribes shall between the filing of the candidates' cer

ficates and the nomination.

When the subject of successors to Fellows and Fitch, whose scats were vacated to make them respectively District-Attorney and Controller, was first discussed, the boss feigned a commendable anxiety to save the city the \$60,000 or \$70,000 which special election would cost. The large Democratic najority in the House of Representatives made a ert on saying until one day last week, whea resident Martin, of the Police Board, suddenly llowed the public to know that the boss was playing a double game by requesting that the ap-propriation for the Bureau of Elections be enlarged to as to provide for a special election in the XIVth and XVth districts. Croker's previous talk could

and XVth districts. Croker's previous this could have had only one object, and that was to induce the Republicans and independent voters to believe that there would not be an election. Mr. Croker, it is evident, feared the result if the people had time to organize for a campaign against the corrupt machine of which he is the head. The result of the election of Nevember 7 warned him that New-York is ripe for revolt against Tammanyism. If reasonable time were given for a canvass there was a lively chance that both his candidates for these vacancies would be beaten. This Mr. Croker did not intend to allow.

Tammany Hall had received the tip, of course, and at its primaries, held last evening, delegates were elected and conventions appointed for the nomination of candidates. The Republicans, on the other hand, and any other organizations which might be disposed to contest the election will be obliged to hold their primaries for choosing delegates and their nominating conventions on the same day. Calls were issued yester-lay for the Republican primaries and conventions to be held on Tuesday, as Wednesday is the last day upon which the certificates of nomination can lawfully be filed with the Police Commissioners.

TO ERECT A HANDSOME MISSION HOUSE.

WORK OF DEMOLISHING TWO OLD TENEMENT BUILDINGS IN BROOME-ST. BEGUN-THE GIST OF A BENEVOLENT WOMAN.

was begun last week in demolishing the two old tenement-houses at Nos. 33) and 332 Broomest., to make way for one of the most perfect mission houses in the city. The place chosen for the illding to be devoted to the poor children f the lower East Side is situated on the north side st., just a few doors from the Bowery. God's Providence Mission will be the name of the new institution, and it will be built by the New-

room will be the auditorium or lecture-room, in the nature of an extension of the building. This will be lighted by two windows and an ample skylight On the second floor will be a commodious apartmen for the use of the day nursery, in front, and an other for the kindergarten in the rest. Opening on other for the kindergarten fit the rear. Opening from the kindergarten will be a sort of gallery, balcony, on the roof of the extension below, for playsround of the little pupils in the kindergar! The third floor will be occupied in part by a cook school. The fourth floor, or attic, will contain janitor's apartments and another large room, wh will probably be made into a gymnasium.

THE NEW-YORK LIFE'S SHOWING.

The showing made by the New-York Life Insurance Company under President McCail's management is rather remarkable in these times of financial depression. When a company is able to announce that its own record of new business is this year exceeded by \$50,000,000, and that its total of new business for 1803, having no reference to old policies, is above \$22,000,000, then the improvement in the company's affairs is apparent. The New-York Life by this showing, its managers say, holds the record for absolutely new business in a single year.

TO ENTERTAIN HARLEM YOUNG MEN.

New Year's Day will be observed at the Harlem Branch of the Young Men's Christian Association, No. 5 West One-hundred-and-twenty-fifth-st., by a No. 5 West One-hundred and twenty-fittings, by a reception to the young men of Hariem in the afternoon and a popular holiday entertainment in the evening. In the afternoon exhibits of rare books, paintings, curios, music-boxes, phonographs, etc., will be made: An exhibition game of basket ball will be played, and women will receive the guests. The entire building will be open for inspection. In the evening Miss Blanche Friderice, Harry M. Peckham and others will entertain the visitors.

HONORING CONTROLLER MYERS.

The Finance Department was the scene of pleasant ceremony about noon yesterday. The officials and cierks of the department, headed by the veteran Deputy Controller, Richard A. Storrs, gathered in Controller Myers's room, and gave to the Controller a beautiful gold watch, chain and seal. The speech of presentation was made by William J. Lyon, first auditor of the department, in which the Controller's six years' services were referred to as a "pre-eminently able, fearless, just and spotiess administration." A series of resolutions, prepared by a committee, were read by J. A. Sullivan, superintendent of markets, volcing the sentiments of the men who had served under Controller Myers as to his ability, integrity and general high character.

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The testimonials presented to the Controller were valued at over \$50. The presentation was conducted by a committee composed of Richard A. Storra, chairman; E. J. Levy, secretary; John A. Sullivan, treasurer, and William J. Lyon, John F. Gouldsbury, David E. Austen, Edward Henriques, David Barnett and Daniel E. Dowling.

A NEW YEAR'S FEAST FOR HOTEL GUESTS. Hildreth & Allen, the proprietors of the Metropolitan Hotel, in Broadway near Prince-st., wished their guests and patrons the compilments of the season yesterday afternoon in a most substantial manner. In the case of the hotel was an elaborate "spread." On one long table, extending the whole length of the room, "Joe" Burke, the chef, had erected, in inviting display, examples of his fine art. At one end a roast pig was harnessed to a cartload of attractive dishes; at the other an immense landscape in sugar and flour was set. The centrepiece was carved out of mutton tailow. It represented two dolphins holding an immense shell on which was a great salmon, beautifully garnished. Other decorative pieces were of game. Turkey, parriedge, quali, and the like, were spread about the table in undressed beauty. Hildreth & Allen, the proprietors of the Metro-

MRS. CHARLOTTE P. SINCLAIR DEAD.

THE WIDOW OF BANUEL FINCLAIR CONTRACTED A FATAL COLD AT THE FUNERAL OF HER HUSBAND.

Mrs. Charlotte Perry Sinclair, widow of Samuel Sinclair, died at her home, No. 21 East Eighty-ninth-st., Friday evening, December 29, ten days after the death of Mr. Sinclair. Soon after the funeral of her husband Mrs. Sinclair took cold, which developed into pleurisy, ending in rheuma-tism of the heart.

Mrs. Sinclair was the youngest child of Captain Ebenezer and Bridget Greeley Perry, and was born at Bedford, N. H., June 10, 1824. Her mother was a sister of Horace Greeley's father, and was present when the founder of The Tribune was born, in 1811, at Amheret, N. H., and saved the life of th child at a critical moment soon after its birth. In 1847, while visiting the family of the late John In 1847, while visiting the family of the late John F. Cleveland, who married her cousin, Esther Greeley, Miss Perry met Samuel Sinciair, who had then entered the business office of The Tribune and afterward became its publisher. Their marriage took place a year later.

At the time of the draft rhots in New-York, in 1853, Mr. Greeley was surposed to be in Mr. Sinciair's house, in West Twenty-ninth-st, and the mob, which had been hanging negroes to the city lamp-posts, made a raid on the house of James H. Sinciair's.

Glibbons, in the same block, supposing R to be sir-Sinclair's.

Mrs. Sinclair became the centre of a social circle which embraced many of the most cultured men and women of the day-Owen Lovejoy, Schuyler Coffax, John Russell Young, Oliver Johnson, Alice and Phoebe Cary, the Rev. H. W. Bellows, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Runkle, O. B. Frothingham, Abby Sage Richardson, Bayard Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. James H. Gibbons, A. D. Richardson, George H. Ripley, William H. Fry, Mr. and Mrs. R. H. Stod-dard, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Carpenter and many others. Of the three children of Mr. and Mrs. Rin-clair, two are living, Samuel Sinclair, fr., and Mary Frances Sinclair. The funeral will be private and the burial at Woodlawn Cemetery.

ANOTHER STRANGE WILD LION STORY

IT LOOKS AS IF A SECOND ATTEMPT WERE BE-ING MADE TO FOOL THE PUBLIC.

According to the report of a newspaper man of lion, whose claim to kingship was forfelted many years ago and whose teeth fell out long, long sefore McKane fell from grace, was made to hold when it was said that he ate a horse fo breakfast and threatened even to devour a dime-museum lion-tamer of the female sex and of uncertain age. The public swallowed the horse story, but the report went too far when it brought in the "lady." Still, the end was accomplished, the museum got a good advertisement, and the imaginative reporter got money.

Now comes another iten story, and from the same museum. That iten was old; this one is young; that one rejoiced in a Scotch name, this is a Roman; that one was in robust health, this one an invalid; that story was weighed and found wanting—thio story may be.

Nero, it is said, fought with one of the three lions with whom he shares a care in the museum. Nero was royally beaten and unmercifully bitten in the him right thigh, but was regaining his strength when a second fight took place in the case, which resulted in a fracture of Nero's aiready wounded in a fracture of Nero's aiready wounded thigh. How the wounded animal was taken to a hospital in a case, the manner of his transfer to the operating-room and how, in the presence of a number of professional men, a delicate surgical operation was performed and the fracture reduced; how the antesthetics were given to the royal beast, how his leg was pulled and twisted and bandaged and splinted, were all graphically described, and it all recalled to mind the Scotch lion story of a few weeks ago, so a Tribune reporter went to call on the patient.

The veterinary surgeon was seen who was cred-Roman; that one was in robust health, this one

weeks ago, so a Tribune reporter went to call on the patient.

The veterinary surgeon was seen who was credited with having pulled the leg into its place, and blushingly confersed to the charge. He gave the reporter a letter of introduction to the keeper of the injured iton, and assured him that "the lion would not hurt anybody."

At the museum the reporter was not allowed to see the lion, but a box was shown at the rear of the lion's cage where the injured beaat was said to be, and where he had torn his bandages of and got himself all ready for another operation.

It may be all right, and the poor lion may have heen injured, but circumstantial evidence is against him.

God's Providence Mission will be the name of the new institution, and it will be built by the New-York Protestant Ebiscopal City Mission Society, with money given by a woman, who has stipulated that her name shall not be disclosed.

Knowing the desire of the society to revive the Knowing the desire of the society about a year ago \$35,000 to purchase a site. The two old a year ago \$35,000 to purchase a site. The two old a year ago \$35,000 to purchase a site. The two old a year ago \$35,000 to purchase a site. The two old as great in the proposed mission, but the buildings which had stood there for forty years or more were in such a bad condition that it was decided that it would be necessary to build wholly anew. The woman in question was informed of the situation, and she immediately sent to John H. Boynton, the treasurer of the society, a check for \$30,000 additional to put up a new structure, thus making her total gift to the mission \$11,000.

The new mission house will be three stories and an attic in height, 40 feet in width and '90 feet in depth. It will be constructed of brick and iron, and will be fireproof. On the first floor there will be three large rooms. Fronting the street will be the auditorium or lecture-room, in the nother cities. Among the signers are public men in other cities. Among the signers are large will be the auditorium or lecture-room in the nother cities. Among the signers are public men in other cities. Among the signers are public men in other cities. Among the signers are public men in other cities. Among the signers are initiative in the movement and has issued the call for the conference which will be held under its Dana, Moorfield Storey, Wayne MacVeagh, Charle Dana, Moorneld Storey, Wayne MacVeagh, Charles J. Bonaparte, Matthew Hale, Ansley Wilcox, R. C. McMurtrie, Charles W. Ellot, president of Harvarl; William Pepper, Daniel C. Gilman, James E. Rhoads, General Francis A. Walker, Isaac Sharpless, Herbert E. Adams, Dr. Richard T. Ely, Washington Glad-den, Bishop O. W. Whittaker, Edward Everett Hale, Babid, Joseph Krauskon, L. Andrew Meeter, Charles General Francis A. Misker. Edward Everett Hale.

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Charles C. Harrison, of Philadelphia; Franklin MacVeagh and Marshall Field, of Chicago; John Field,

W. W. Frazier, William P. Hensey, George Burnham and John H. Converse, of Philadelphia;

Civil Service Commissioners Roosevelt and Proctor,
Mayor-elect Charles E. Schieren, of Brooklyn, exMayor A. S. Hewitt, Lyman J. Gage, of Chicago;

William J. Gaynor, Henry C. Lea, Samuel B. Capen,
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grestdent of the Municipal Leacue of Hoston; Joseph

S. Harris, Frederick Law Olimitead, Alexander

Brown and William Dudley Foulke, of Indiana.

There will be reports made by men of experience
and knowledge as to the exact condition of the
Civil Service in each of the large cities represented,
and there will be discussions and suggestions as to
improvement and reform. A special subject for
consideration will be the desirability of non-partisan,
non-political candidates. Another will be whether
experience has shown that it is best to work with
some existing organization or to form a distinct
organization for the purpose of the canvass. The
general object of the conference will be to inform,
the participants by mutual suggestion and to atimulate the growing interest among honest and intelligent citizens in measures for municipal reform.
It is possible that the organizations interested in
this work in the various cities may be bound together for mutual support by a National organization.

James C. Carter, president of the City Club,
highly commended the movement when a Tribune
reporter called upon him at his office, No. 34 Wallst, yesterday afternoon.

"It believe," said he, "that the conference will
have good results, not only in encouraging those
who are already interested in the movement, but
also in atmulating others to take part in it. A general discussion, su

William O. Low, of Brooklyn, another of the signers of the call, expressed himself as heartily in favor of the conference. He said that the recent experience of Brooklyn reformers might bring valuable suggestion.

PROSPERITY OF A TRUST COMPANY.

The Real Estate Loan and Trust Company has increased its semi-annual dividend from 2½ to 3 per cent, payable January 2. The company's statement shows its earnings for the last year to be

ment shows its earnings for the last year to be about 10 per cent upon its capital.

The claim is made by the management that all of its investments and loans are of the safest and quickly convertible class, and that it has no bad, suspended or even doubtful assets.

The premiums upon all its dovernment and city bonds have been charged off, as well as all items for furniture, fixtures, etc. The name of the company is to be changed to the "Real Estate Trust Company of New-York," as a shorter, better and less misleading name.

Several official changes will occur in the city and county administration to-morrow. Ashbel P. Fitch will succeed Theodore W. Myers as Controller of the city; John H. V. Arnold will take the place of Surrogate, which has been filled by Rastus S. Ransom; Charles M. Clancy will relieve John J. Gorman of the duties and perquisites pertaining to the Sheriff's office; John R. Fellows will assume De-Lancey Nicoli's place as District-Attorney, and Lewis J. Conlan will become Judge of the City Court, succeeding Henry P. McGown. Miles Beach centers upon a second fourten-years' term as Judge of the Court of Common Piess. All the incoming and outgoing officials are Tammany Hall men except Controller Myers.

The judges of the City Court gave Judge McGown a handsome gold-mounted ivory gavel as a token of their esteem. Surrogate, which has been filled by Rastus S. Ran-

TN a Natural mineral water alone is there complete safety and protection to health. A pure and delicious effervescent table water is produced by Nature herself at the "Johannis" Spring, Zollhaus, Germany. The absolute purity of this water and of its natural gas places it for above all other mineral waters.

THE YEAR IN REAL ESTATE.

Hence its world-wide renown.

NOTEWORTHY TRANSACTIONS THAT HAVE REEN MADE.

LINES ON WHICH TRADE HAS DEVELOPED-THE MARKET AT PRESENT DEPRESED-A

The real estate market is depressed. It is in depressed and inactive condition because owners refuse to scale down their prices. Liquidation is going on, but the trading that shows a healthful market seems almost entirely absent. It is inter-esting to observe that building operations are increasing, but in the main they are confined to big corporations, and small operations are not

the real estate market than in any other depart-nent of trade. It has been a year characterized by periods of activity and dulness, and while the finan-cial depression has had a marked effect upon it, it has not, as in many other trades, left a serious injury. At one time in the year there appeared signs of a panic, when rumors were heard of call-ing mortgage loans, but fortunately this was averted by the lenders, who went no further than raising the

SALES IN FIFTH-AVE.

A number of good transactions were brought to a close in the last year. In Fifth-ave, trading was particularly brisk, and in large down-town proper-ties there was an unusually large amount of busi-ness transacted. In Fifth-ave, the tendency seemed to be toward speculation, and the sales of the two corners at Eighty-second-st. to August Belmont and Henry O. Havemeyer for \$275,000 and \$285,000 respectively are noteworthy examples. The largest parcel sold in this thoroughfare was the St. Luke's lospital site, which is said to have brought \$2. 400,000. The name of the purchaser of this property has not yet been made known, and there is con-siderable speculation as to the character of the the year were the following: The house at Thirty-sixth-st., by Pierre Lorillard, for \$50,000; the Hel-

\$150,000.

In the public auction market in 1803 the sales amounted to \$35,000,000. The coming year will undoubtedly be a brighter one in real estate, and along toward the spring it is expected that real estate sales will boom.

COMPARISON OF BUSINESS. comparison of the tables showing the numgether with the amounts involved, an idea of the They also illustrate to what extent transaction They also little to what extent transactions have fallen off in the last six months. From January to June of this year \$.071 conveyances were made, amounting to \$150,300,925; in 1882 the figures were \$.070, involving \$125,477,515. From July to December, not including the transactions of the presented of the pre he figures were 5,664 conveyances, amounting the figures were 5.00 conveyance, and 539,485,397. The figures for both mortgages and building plans show a proportionate decrease. Several good sales are announced to take place at the auction rooms on Tuesday, Wednesday, at the auction rooms of Tuesday, Wednesday, at the auction from the following table shows the number of conveyances, mortgages table shows the number of conveyances, mortgages

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Number to banks, trust and ins. cos. 41 Amount involved 21,153,472 61,012,900 PROJECTED BUILDINGS. | 1892 | 1893 | 1892 | 1893 | 1894 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 1895 | 'Includes mortgace given by the Broadway and Seventh Avenue Railway Company and the Metropolitan Traction Company for \$12,500,000.

ROBERT BONNER AND THE SPEEDWAY. Robert Bonner, who in his long career has puras Peerless, Lady Palmer, Flathush Maid, Poca-hontas, Dexter, Music, Pickard, Edwin Forrest, Lucy Cuyler, Maud S. and Sunol, never using one of them to stimulate gambling in the slightest degree, favors

New-York, Dec. 29, 1893.

My Dear Sir: As you are aware, I have taken no part in the controversy about the speedway; but, as you ask me for my opinion in the matter, I may say that I do not see any objection to having two sidewalks on the speedway, so long as all means of passage across it shall be by archways. It is true that the building of two sidewalks will involve greater expense, but as they are intended for the accommodation of the people and the people have to pay for them, I do not see any good reason for depriving the public of the enjoyment to be derived from witnessing exhibitions of speed, Very truly yours,

ENTERTAINMENT AT THE COLONIAL CLUB. ENTERTAINMENT AT THE COLONIAL CIUR.

The Colonial Club trested fitself to a Now-Year's Eve
"stog" party last night. The simple colonial refreshments
were cider for members with New-England constitutions,
and a curious confection, which the Dutch of NewAmsterdam spelled in a way of their own. Its name
sounds something like "oily cake." Other entertainment
was furnished by an orchestra; James E. Burdett, the
humorist; B. F. Hart, Jr., bary-lone, and Mr. Williams,
who gave comical pf-tended imitations of Conjurer Herrmain's tricks. Among those present were Calvin II.
Allen, Dr. William Lloyd, James A. Pungerford, H. J.
Nwift, Alfred B. Scott, Colonel David S. Brown, W. E.
Taylor, J. E. Whitsher, J. C. Fadie, Dr. Arthur T.
Hills, John H. Shutz, Jr., George D. Watson, John F.
Makley and George C. Clark.

RUMGRS ABOUT PRESIDENT ANDREWS, OF BROWN.

The rumor has been circulated that President E. Benjamin Andrews, of Brown University, has received an urgent call to the new Chicago University. The latest version is that President Andrews has been offered a place as co-president with Dr. Harper. This is not the first call that has been extended to President Andrews from this source. He has been offered a professorship and the charge of a department with attractive salary, and has declined. It is said that has has received fixturing offers from other sources, but, if so, he has declined them all, and has up to the present time preferred to remain at Hown.

Dr. Andrews was in this city last evening, but when a Tribune reporter sent up his card at the Murray Hill Hotel about 7:30 o'clock, he begred to be excussed from an interview, sending word that he was not well and had redired.

There is to be a change in the arrangement of the steaddard Lenten malinese at Daly's Thea're Gast will especially accommodate Mr. Stoddard's admirers. It has proved difficult in previous seasons to provide because mough to meet the demand. For that reason the season

WHAT MEN ARE WEARING

ALL COATS ARE CUT UNUSUALLY LONG.

POINTS ABOUT THE PREVAILING STYLES OF DRESS-FASHIONS IN HATS, SHOPS

of complaint this year that the changes in men's fashions are not radical enough from season to season. A goodly proportion of the male sex is worried more over the problem of wearing garments left over from last winter and the preceding ones than it is over the question of minute alterations in styles. The young man who has felt the pinch of the hard times, unfortunately, cannot wear his last year's coats and be quite well-dressed. There are certain vagaries of fashion which may be disregarded without serious results, but there are others which must be obeyed if one wishes to pass muster in the eyes of the critical. Perhaps the two most conspicuous changes s

last year are that coats have grown longer, and coat skirt does lend an air of being well-dresse There is the trouble that the fall overcoat is in variably too short to cover the cutaway entirely, and some winter days have been so mild as to make the heavy overcoat too warm. Remembering the slight inconveniences of the present fashion, is no exception to this rule. The garment may be of worsted goods or lambs' wool. The worsteds sh be of dark color and inconspicuous patterns. In business wear, four buttons are the newest idea. the wearer to feel that he is violating a canon o fashion. The tendency toward greater length is felt in this form of coat, as well as is the others. The sack coat should fit rather loosely. THE FROCK COAT.

Like the cutaway, the frock coat has three butons. It should reach just below the knee, and have slik facings that extend to the buttonhole. A double-breasted waistcoat may be worn with it. The favorite color for trousers to be worn with black cutaway and frockcoats is gray, fine stripes being desirable. Checks of small pattern are also to be seen. Trousers are cut smaller at the bottom than they were last winter.

The winter overcoat is cut full, as it was a year ago, and is even longer than it was then. Favorite material are smooth and Elyslan beaver.

The choons as to hats are not absolute, owing to the failure of the leading manufacturers to agree on shapes. One of these, who may safely be patronized, supplies slik hats which differ from the preceding style in having more of a bell crown and a wider brim, with a heavier curl. The derby hat has a lower and more tapering crown, with rather wide brim of full roll. As for shoes, the pointed toe is used for street wear, and in its narrowest form is for evening dress. There seems an inappropriateness in wearing russet shoes for winter, but they are in high favor with those who dislike the clumsy, troublesome rubber overshoes, with their likelihood to cause the wearer to take a cold. These russet shoes have extremely thick soles and double uppers.

The dress-shirt has an extremely plain bosom

HANCOCK STATUE GIVEN TO THE CITY.

GENERAL PORTER MAKES THE PRESENTATION SPEECH AND MATOR GILROY REPLIES-SOME OF THOSE PRESENT. The Governor's Room in the City Hall was filled

yesterlay with prominent Grand Army and millwho replied for the city; General W. D. Whipple, United States Army, commander of George Wash-ington Post, No. 103; Grand Marshal George M. Barry, and Colonel Abram Weber and Colonel Charles G. Richards, of his staff; Captain and Mrs. Engene Griffin, the latter a niece of General Han-cock; Mrs. Frost, of Chicago, also a niece; Oliver D. Russell, General Hancock's brother in the Coliver of thirteen, Commander William McEntee, of Pahigren Post, No. 13; Colonel A. P. Green, of Abraham Lincoln Post, No. 13; Past-Commander Walton, of Sumaer Post, No. 24; Colonel Ulman, of Phil Kearny Post, No. 82 past Commander Henry A. Kraus, of Koltee Post, No. 22; Dr. E. R. Duffy, of Rendix Post, No. 62; General H. C. King, and Major John Van Duzen, of the Veteran Zouaves.

The comrastes of Windeld S. Hancock Post, No. 23, had charge of the exercises of the day; Colonel J. A. Goulden, senior vice-commander, being chairman of the Committee of Arrangements. The post and other Grand Army men, who had made Park Place and Broadway their place of assembly, marched to the City Hall to the music of the post of the annual control of the City Hall to the music of the post of the annual through the park. A delegation from W. S. Hancock Ladies' Corps, headed by Mrs. Ada S. Mohr, the president, was also present.

General Porter in his address referred in glowing language to the career of General Hancock, and ellogized his services to his country, particularly during the period of the Civil War, speaking of his gallantry in battle and of his surpassing qualities as an able and successful general. General Hancock's deels would remain an imperishable monunent to his patriotism and valor.

Mayor Gilroy replied in his usual felicitous style, accepting the bust on behalf of the city and of the Park Commissioners.

The Statue is the workmanship of Wilson MacDonald, who has recrived an order for a duplicate from the citisms of Norristown, Penn., General Hancock's birthplace.

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TO HELP GREAT BARRINGTON'S POOR. Great Barrington, Mass., Dec. 30 (Special).-The make appropriations for the care of the poor people who are out of employment. There are several de-vices proposed. One is that work be begun on a ew road leading from Maine st. to Berkshire Heights. This of course would be expensive on ac-count of the frost in the ground, and it would be bardly advisable to start the work until spring. bardly advisable to start the work until spring. There has not been much suffering, but there are many who are being cared for by the churches and by their neighbors and friends. The mills are either shut down or running only part of the time, and the prospects for work during the winter are meagre unless it is furnished in some way by the town.

The 13th anniversary of the Congregational Church was celebrated on Thursday evening. An historical paper was read by Charles J. Taylor on "The First Meeting House," and another one was read by Parley A. Russell.

Professor F. A. Hosmer, former principal of the high school here, who is now at the head of a college in Honolulu, has been writing home some vigorous letters in favor of the present Government of the islands. He sharply criticises President Cievelland and Mr. Blount.

Rhinebeck, N. Y., Dec. 30 (Special) -- Johnston Livingston, according to his usual custom, had a large house party at his country home, Callender House, Tivoli-on-Hudson, on Christmas Day, Among House, Tivoll-on-Hudson, on Christmas Day, Among the guests was Count De Laugier Villar, who is the prospective husband of Miss Livingston.

Miss Ethel Merritt is at home for the holidays, which she will spend with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Pouglas Merritt, at Lacote, Mrs. Briggs, who has been the guest of the Misses Cruger, at Cruger's shad for some time, has gone to New-York, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Lex Brooke, of New-York, and Miss Mabel Esselstyn were the guests of Mrs. George Esselstyn, on Christmas, Mrs. George Blackwell has been visiting her mother, Mrs. George H. Ackert.

Mrs. Ambrose Wager has returned from Jamaica Mrs. Ambrose Wager has returned from Jamaica Pain, near Hoston, where she has been the guest of her daughter. Mrs. L. Walter Lott. Mr. and frs. Charles Duryes and William Hond Skerton, of lew-York, were the guests of Mrs. John Williams

After being souked in water overnight, the mys-erious brass object which was found in the vesti-ule of the Hotel Bristol, at Fifth-ave, and Fortybule of the Hotel Bristol, at Fifth-ave, and Forty-second-st., on Friday night was opened at Fire Headquarters yesterday by Nicholas Moore, an inspector of the Bureau of Combustibles. The contents looked, tasted and burned like piain, everyday sawdust, but if Inspector Seery, the head of the bureau, finds on further investigation that they are anything else, he will so report to the Fire Commissioners. The hard, dark-colored substance which seemed to fill the thing proved to be merely a thick covering of something like paint or varnish, heading in place a piece of thin maple wood which \* THE GENTURY

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THE REV. DR. MARVIN R. VINCENT SPEARS HIS LATE ASSOCIATE BEFORE

THE CENTURY ASSOCIATION. At the request of the Century Association the Rev. Dr. Marvin R. Vincent addressed its members ast night on the life of the late Dr. Philip Schaff, is associate in the faculty of the Union Theologi-Seminary. The occasion was not a public one. Vincent has furnished to The Tribune the following abstract of his remarks:

his associate in the faculty of the Union Theological Reminary. The occasion was not a public one. Dr. Vincent has furnished to the Tribune the following abstract of his remarks:

I am confident that I am not alone in the sense of loss which comes to me every time I enter these rooms, and miss the presence of the dear old Doctor. For this was one of his favorite haunts, and his face and form have become to many of us as familiar as the old portraits on the wails.

I shall not be at pains to combat the impression which prevails in not a few minds that theologisms through the presented by men of contractical habits, is as a class, are narrow men, affiliating only with those of their own guild. That theology is smeatimes represented by men of contractical habits, is as true as that men freesentatives of other professions of the contractive of other professions of the contractive of other professions, and his catholicity was no less literary than religious. He liked and sought the society of men of all professions, all nations and all creeks. He cultivated associations on lines apart from his own specialities. He was a genial and engaging companion, so less than a learned theologian, a companion, so less than a learned the history of Christian teaching in this country during the last fifty years, a period the more significant because so largely formative. His office has been that of a mediator between a great influx of fresh thought, represented by many formative independent thinking are fast been largely in the country during the last fifty years, a period the more significant because so largely formative. His office has been that of a mediator between a great influx of fresh thought. For such and of a leacher in the many during the last fifty years, a period the more significant because so largely formative. His office has b

large and precise acquaintance with the literature of whatever subject he discussed.

Over and above the conceled value of his literary work, his chief claim to distinction rests on that rare combination of loyalty to conviction with an irenic temper and ministry. Qualified by his learning and eminence to be a partisan leader, he was converted as a meliate. He discussed the provided as a meliate. He discussed the provided as a meliate. He discussed the provided as a meliate.

THE WEATHER REPORT.

A SECOND STORM DEVELOPING.

has fallen in all districts east of the Missouri and lower Mississippi valleys. The temperature has remained statten, ary in the Southeast, has risen in the Northwest and the upper lake regions, and has fallen in all other dis-tricts.

For Maine, New Hampshire and Verment, snow flurrice-probably slightly warmer Monday merning. For Massachusetts, snow flurries; slightly colder in a freme southeast; probably warmer Monday morning.
For lithode Island, light rain, turning to snow; slightly
reoler in extreme southern portion.
For Connecticut, snow flurries; slightly cooley on the

TRIBUNE LOCAL OBSERVATIONS. HOT'AS: Morning. Night. 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 12 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 30.5

In this diagram a continuous white line shows the changes in pressure as indicated by The Tribune's self-recording barometer. The broken line represents the tem-perature as observed at Perry's Pharmacy.

snow flurries and misty rain, were the features of yes terday's weather. The thermometer ranged between 3 and 20 degrees, the average (34%) being 9% lower than or

TRANSATLANTIC TRAVELLERS.

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Among the passengers landing from the White Star steamer Germanic, from Liverpool, vesterday were Dr. C. Williams Balley, the Rev. E. E. Pife, R. Millman Mackay, Vincente F. Pertal, S. H. Wilson, J. T. Moore, C. R. Shaw, J. A. Barras and C. Neville Johnson.

The Rugia, from Hamburg, trought among her passengers John Kainer, Robert Neuman, Anton Baumgart, Erest Sasifield and Carl Holshauer.

The North German Lived steamer Ems, from Bremen, brought among her passengers Charles T. Lownles, N. A. Colburn, J. B. Dean, G. A. Truise, F. J. Dempsey and W. T. Murray.

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A LOW DEATH-RATE FOR THE YEAR

INFLUENZA MAKING SLOW PROGRESS.

direction of Dr. John T. Nagle, the Reg there has been a marked increase in the number marriages and births, the mortality in the lation as compared with 24.26 for the year. The diseases which proved to be unusually fat

Cause of death, etc.	1804.	1892.	110 Fears
Influenza		405	171
Smallpox		81	
Meatla		864	901
Searles fever	451	1,436	22 404
Diphtheria Whooping-couga	510	371	431
Typhoid fever		400	420
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Malarial fever	133	161	rt . 878
(crebro-spinal meninsicis	**** 417	240	1 2 300
Diarrhocal diseases	8,314	. 8,002 .	. CB.545
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Heart disease	2 470	. 2.3.0	. 61 541
Croup	583	070	Chart
Pronchitta		1.754	:2.78
Pacumonia	6.476	. 6.841	54.288
Phthisia	5.101 *	6,083	8,286
pright's and nephritis	2,531	2,395	
Violence-	43	200	
Accidenta		1.504	100
Homicide	47	205	Ni Chase
Sulcide	813	241	299
All other causes	15,479	15,447	, 13,000
	******	44,820	-
Total deaths	27 40	24.26	21.75
Death rite. Deaths under 1 year	11 105	11.400	10.136
Deaths under 5 years	17 872	38.084	16.501
Deaths 65 and over	4.483	4.272	3 8/18
Deaths to Institutions	10,004	11.847	7.833
beaths in tenements	28 283	28,840	
Total marriages	10.144	14,001	28 078
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only, slow progress toward an epide York, while in other cities of the cou

Diphtheria, scarlet fever, measles and su nereased in the city last week, as the reco

James Martin, an unmarried man, thirty-eight years old, who had been living lately at the loce ing-house No. 173 Park Row, became ill there three days ago. The character of his illness was not suspected until yesterday morning, when an eruption appeared on his face and body. Then the night clerk of the lolging-house walked with the sick man to Police Headquarters, and they were directed to the Bureau of Contagious Diseases, he No. 319 Mulberry-st. At the bureau it was suffering from smallpox, and he was kept in the basement of the building until an ambulance could be called to remove him to be reception hospital in East Mittenthest. Lager he was removed to the hospital on North Brother Island, in company with Frank Murphy, and lit was said that Martin was in New-Jerony the weeks ago, and probably caught the manifest and many of the Inmates were vaccinated.

ETHESDA.